Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 17 Mar 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 18 Mar 2021

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 16 Mar 2021 at 16:14 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for mostly settled conditions over the next few days, but low for daily detail of low cloud.

Headline for Wednesday 17 Mar 2021: Dry, some low cloud expected across Lochaber and the coast, bright elsewhere. Windy.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 17 Mar 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Clear night	Clear night	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	10%	20%

Forecast for Wednesday 17 Mar 2021

Weather: Largely dry throughout the day with some clear or sunny periods. Lochaber and the west coast, along with inland areas of western Argyll at first, will see some low mainly on northern upslopes, this cloud will become more extensive from late afternoon onwards. Some drizzly rain possible along the west coast by evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70%, cloudiest in the northwest.

Visibility: Poor in low cloud with bases between 500 and 700 metres across Lochaber and the west coast although patchy in nature. Becoming more widely poor here from late afternoon onwards with bases lowering to 300 metres. Otherwise good visibility elsewhere through the day.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	28/32 NW	32/37 W	35/41 W	32/38 NW	21/27 NW	17/22 NW	17/21 NW	20/23 NW	22/26 NW
900	14/18 W	16/21 W	19/25 W	16/22 NW	11/16 NW	11/16 NW	9/13 NW	9/13 NW	10/13 NW
600	13/17 SW	15/19 SW	19/24 SW	13/18 W	10/15 W	10/14 W	8/12 W	8/11 W	8/11 W
300	5/8 NE	7/9 W	6/10 SW	8/13 NW	6/10 W	7/11 NW	5/9 NW	4/7 N	4/7 N
Glen	6/14 W	6/13 W	4/12 W	7/15 W	7/13 W	9/15 NW	7/14 NW	5/10 NW	5/10 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-0/-8	-1/-9	-2/-11	-1/-10	0/-6	1/-4	2/-4	2/-3	2/-4
900	1/-4	1/-5	0/-6	1/-4	3/-1	4/0	4/0	3/-0	3/-1
600	3/-2	2/-2	2/-3	3/-1	5/2	6/3	6/3	5/2	5/2
300	4/2	4/1	4/2	6/3	7/6	9/7	8/6	6/5	6/5
Glen	6/3	5/3	6/4	8/6	10/8	11/9	9/8	8/7	8/7
Freezing Level*	900m	900m	900m	1300m	1800m	1900m	2000m	2000m	2000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Forecast for Thursday 18 Mar 2021

Weather: Mainly dry with some hazy sunshine, but western ranges of Lochaber and coastal ranges of Argyll will see extensive low cloud and some drizzle.

Maximum wind: Northwesterly winds gusts to 30 to 40 mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70%

Visibility: Poor in areas of low cloud between 250 and 500 metres in the west, only patchy cloud elsewhere. Summits above 900 metres may stand clear of the cloud above the inversion.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 2 rising to 13 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 4 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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